

**REMARKS**

Applicants thank the Examiner for continued consideration given the present application. In response to the Examiner's Advisory Action Before the Filing of an Appeal Brief, claim 1 has been cancelled, with only allowed claims 3-5 presently pending. Applicants respectfully request entry of this Amendment, as it is in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.116(b)(1), and earnestly seek timely allowance of all pending claims.

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Charles Gorenstein, Reg. No. 29,271 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.147; particularly, extension of time fees.

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